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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Examiner called to inform the applicant that the response filed 15 January 2009 is non-responsive to the Board of Appeals' Remand dated 16 December 2008. The applicant was told that in order to have the subject matter of dependent claims 20,26-28,30 argued at the Appeals Board, the applicant must write these claims into independent form including all intervening subject matter. Applicant would then need to update the Appeal Brief to reflect such changes. Applicant's only other option that would be responsive to the Remand is to delete claims 18 and 19 and any claims depending therefrom, however, claims 20,26-28 and 30 would not be argued before the Board of Appeals.